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OFFICE COMMUNICATION RESPONSE

This paper is in response to the Office Communication mailed on March 21, 2007, requesting additional information. The Examiner notes that Applicant's response dated December 21, 2006, does not comply with 37 CFR 1.111(b) because it fails to point out the patentable novelty which he or she thinks the claims present in view of the art disclosed by the references cited or the objections made in regards to the newly added claims 70-91.

Claims 5, 11, 13-15, 18-22, 50-58, and 60-69 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over International Patent Publication No. WO 97/37328 to Ouimet et al. in view of International Patent Publication No. WO 98/04080 to Zeitman. Applicant distinguishes over the prior art based on the principle that Ouimet does not disclose a wireless communication means. Ouimet discloses a Smart Card, an apparatus that may have evolved over the

years into a device with a wireless communication means but which was not at the time of the invention wireless.

Newly added claim 70 and dependant Claims 71-91 are all directed to a parking payment system having a wireless communication means as one of the required elements. Claims 70-91 are thus, for at least the reasons above, patentable over the prior art disclosed or the objections made by the Examiner based on the previously articulated arguments when applied with equal force to new claims 70-91.

Applicant submits that all claims are in proper condition for allowance, and such action is earnestly solicited as a result of the Request for Continued Examination. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 22-0259 or any payment in connection with this communication, including any fees for extension of time that may be required. The Examiner is also invited to call the undersigned if such action might expedite the prosecution of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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